

## **Agenda Item 86**

### **Information from Brighton & Sussex University Hospitals Trust in response to Councillor Kitcat's Written Question**

The lighting systems in the RACH comply with the relevant Health Technical Memorandum, (HTM) which require a level of illumination to be present at all times, to allow staff on duty to physically check patients' condition.

At night this requirement is for a light to remain on in every room and provide a level of up to one Lux of illumination, measured at the bed head in the horizontal plane. I have physically checked this level is provided in all rooms, typically this being 0.8 Lux, which is an extremely low level of light.

The windows in the RACH are designed to be opened for cleaning and maintenance activities only, being physically locked at all other times. The main reason for this is to allow the air conditioning system to function correctly and maintain close temperature control of the environment.

Additionally, the fire strategy in the building requires the windows to be closed to prevent fire spread in the event of an outbreak, this being particularly relevant in the atrium.

Regards

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